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The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—" I must ask for notice of that question."

Diwan Bahadur C. S. RATNASABHAPATI MUDALIYAR:—" Is it not a waste of expenditure for the Government if they stop re-survey operations in the middle? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—" In certain cases it may be necessary to complete the operations that are going on and then stop further work. "

Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR:—" May I ask whether resurvey has been given up in other districts also? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL:—" It has been also suspended in Salem. I am not sure of other districts. I must ask for notice of that question."

Public Service

Increments to unpassed clerks in the Registration Department.

* 489 *Q.*—Mr. M. A. MANIKKAVELU NAYAKAR: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether unpassed men serving as clerks in the Registration Department were allowed certain increments in their pay;

(*b*) whether the Inspector-General of Registration was authorized to exempt unpassed men and allow them to draw increments up to Rs. 50 in G.O. No. 722, Education, dated 13th June 1922;

(*c*) whether such exemptions and increments are now being objected to by the Accountant-General; and

(*d*) whether the Government will be pleased to regularize their own Government Order and help the poor clerks?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes; but provided that *bona fide* efforts had been made without success to get suitable qualified men for the posts. This power was, however, subsequently withdrawn in 1926.

(*c*) Objection was taken only in respect—

(i) of clerks who were not specifically exempted by the Inspector-General in respect of the time-scale of pay;

(ii) of clerks who were exempted by the Inspector-General after the power of exemption had been withdrawn from heads of departments; and

(iii) of clerks who had been permitted to draw increments irregularly from a date prior to that on which they were exempted.

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(*d*) Orders have been passed in all the cases brought to notice. A copy [a] of the orders is placed on the table.

Applications received by the Madras Services Commission from the members of the depressed classes for appointments, etc.

* 490 *Q.*—Rao Sahib V. I. MUNISWAMI PILLAI: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of applications received by the Public Services Commission from the depressed classes either applying for new posts or for appearing for the various examinations held by the Commission during the years 1929 and 1930;

(*b*) how many of these candidates passed the competitive examinations and how many of them were able to get employed; and

(*c*) a list of candidates of depressed classes that are in the reserve and eligible for posts that may either fall vacant or may be created in the Government service?

A.—(*a*) The hon. Member is apparently referring to the Madras Services Commission. This has been in existence since the 3rd January 1930. The selections made during the first three months of that year as shown in Appendix C to the report of the Commission for 1929–30 which has already been placed on the table. For information as to the rest of the year, the hon. Member is requested to await publication of the report of the Commission for 1930–31.

(*b*) No competitive examination was held in 1930.

(*c*) Waiting lists were drawn up by the Commission only in respect of the following classes:—

(1) Clerks and typists;
(2) School Assistants and Assistant Lecturers; and
(3) Sub-Assistant Inspectresses and School Assistants.

The lists in respect of the first two classes have already been published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* and in the list in respect of the third class, all candidates but one, who does *not* belong to a depressed class, have been appointed.

Madras Services Commission and the production of medical certificates by candidates.

* 491 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) why the Madras Services Commission wants applicants for jobs to produce medical certificates from officers of the rank of civil surgeons; and

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[a] Printed as Appendix V on pages 459-467 infra.